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### RECOGNITION FOR CUBA.

Earnestly Advocated In the Senate.

Feared It Would Bring a Spanish War.

Shown That the Insurgents Have Successfully Maintained Their Government.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The Cuban question has been before the senate for several days for definite and final action and it is expected that votes will be taken at an early day on several pending propositions giving recognition of Cuban independence.

Mr. Morgan of Alabama is of the opinion that war between the United States and Spain would result from recognizing Cubans as belligerents.

In graphically picturing the rise and spread of rebellion Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts said: "A year ago the Cuban revolution began, with a small band of 500 men. With the vast wilderness of lying bulletins that come from Spanish sources, it is very difficult and it is not worth while perhaps to try to trace the battles, which have been fought. But here are certain grave facts which there is no mistaking: "These men who started feebly a year ago in the eastern part of the island have crept over that island from one end to the other."

"The 500 have grown until today hostile accounts represent them at 45,000 in full. We know the railroad lines are cut, that telegraph lines are down that every report of Spanish victory that comes to us in the newspapers is followed by statements of fresh insurgent advances. We know as a matter of fact that the whole of that island today, except where the Spanish fleets ride at anchor and where Spanish armies are encamped, is in the hands of the insurgents. We know they have formed a government, that they have held two elections, that every officer in the army holds his commission from a government which they have established. We know the term of that provisional government and in the presence of these facts and of the fighting that these men have done, I think, it not unreasonable of them to ask some recognition at the hands of the United States."

Mr. Cameron of Pennsylvania gave notice that if the resolution was adopted requesting Spain to act and she did not, he would then move for an immediate and complete recognition of Cuban independence.

### ANOTHER CANDIDATE.

Manderson of Nebraska Is Willing to Be President.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The candidacy of ex-Senator Charles F. Manderson of Nebraska for the Republican presidential nomination was announced today at the capitol by several of his friends. General Manderson this evening in conversation, said: "For months past I have received letters from all sections of the country urging me to enter the lists as a candidate. These letters came from comrades in the war of the rebellion, from associates in public life, and in addition I have received many personal requests from fellow citizens in Nebraska. Before leaving home for Washington the urgency was of such emphatic character that I decided to make no further opposition, and to remain passive. I can now simply say that under this urgency and the kindly encouragement that has followed it, I can do nothing but stand and wait."

### COAST DEFENDERS.

Two Powerful War Vessels Placed in Commission.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—The monitor Monadnock was formally placed in commission today.

The construction of the Monadnock commenced twenty-one years ago and has dragged along at intervals all that time. Naval officers say she is now a most powerful battleship and able to hold her own against anything that floats.

Captain Sumner took command of the vessel today.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The new harbor defense ram Katahdin, was formally put into commission today. Richard H. Leary is commander.

### DEAD BODY FOUND.

One Foot Frozen in the Mud—Believed to Be a Murder.

MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 21.—The dead body of Elmer Sheets was found lying alongside the Lake Erie & Western tracks. Both feet, one of which was bare, were frozen in the mud and his body was covered with an inch of snow that had fallen during the night. There are six small gashes on the left side of the face. It was necessary to chop the mud from around the feet before the body could be moved. The six gashes are about an inch in length and were made by a sharp instrument which crushed the skull near the temple, causing death. There was a slight bruise on his left side. He was not killed by the train, as none passed after 7:40 p. m. and he was seen after that hour. The belief is that he was murdered.

### HOW THE PEOPLE SPENT THE DAY.

Festivities of the Midwinter Carnival Time.

Indians Brought a Crowd at the Park.

Grand Illuminated Parade at Night.

This Will Be the Closing Day—A Plethora of Interesting Events Mardi Gras in the Evening.

Yesterday was the "off day" in the carnival time, largely devoted to preparation for the features of the grand winding up of today. There were sports at the park, where the entertainment was mainly celebrated by the Indians. There were races and other attractions though the main interest at the park lay in the crowd itself. Never before has the grand stand borne such a load and the staunch construction of the structure was well demonstrated. The grounds were full and the return trips of the street cars were crowded to the very roofs. Nearly all stopped at Camp Hatch to witness dress parade, which was made a spectacle of especial interest.

In the morning music was everywhere through the city, as the different bands turned out to add melody to the occasion, and there was a sharp interlude of clattering hoofs as a few hundred cowboys and Indians charged down the main street and thence with wild whoop and yell around the city till the casual stranger was reminded of the tales of Red Dog camp when the "boys" came in from the range. But no pistol shots were fired and their curiosity did not possess the element of inebriety usual to such frontier visitations.

The illuminated parade in the evening was the most striking feature of the day. It began at 7:30 and for a half hour wound its way through the main streets in a blaze of red fire, beneath the glare of the street lights and under the arches of colored incandescent lamps that had transformed Washington street into a similitude with Aladdin's cave.

The cycle display leading the column was especially beautiful. An drews & Son had a double tandem team attached to a buggy, the riders driven by a fair young damsel and with artistic light effects. Pinney & Robinson and Getz also merit special mention for decidedly attractive displays.

The parade in many features was similar to that of the first day. It was led by Adjutant-General Schwartz and aids and by the Tucson band.

The fire department appeared in full strength, with ringing bells and with the engine whistle shrilly sounding. The Pioneer hose members tried a new yell they had learned since the tournament, but from the rear rank Victor company No. 2, the winners of the main race, tauntingly replied with a yell of "No Use!"

The Indian school children turned out in well ordered columns, and with their floats, all gaining for Superintendent Hall hearty applause from the crowded sidewalks.

Then followed the floats. Under the glare of red fire Miss Arizona with her silver star appeared even more charming than before. The Blinn company had their steam saw mill actively in operation. DeMund Bros. had loaded the black guns of their ironclad and bombarded the multitude. The Alkire company had a musical float. Hans Herlick was represented and to lead the fresh displays came B. Heyman & Co. with a float covered with lighted lamps of every pattern, "The Life of Other Days."

### BACK TO LOS ANGELES.

Return of the Visiting California Business Men.

The Los Angeles merchants who left early yesterday morning, took with them none but pleasant impressions of their stay in Phoenix. Breakfast was taken at Prescott, where the visitors were met by a delegation of citizens and then all were driven about the beautiful mountain city and shown the attractions that are so apparent. Then at noon the Pullman cars were attached to the regular northbound train and the westward way was resumed from Ash Fork.

Before leaving Phoenix the following resolutions were drawn up and forwarded to Director-General Hatch:

"Col. C. F. Hatch, Director-General Phoenix Carnival:

"Dear Sir—Before leaving Phoenix the members of the Los Angeles delegation who have been attending the carnival, now so successfully in progress, desire to express to you and through you to the officials and citizens of Phoenix their profound gratitude and high appreciation of the unbounded hospitality they have received since arriving in your city. We came as strangers, you received us as brothers; we came to make your acquaintance, and we leave feeling that we are members of one family. Your carnival is great and deserving success and we trust and feel confident our visit will serve to bring southern California and Arizona more closely together. We invite you and all Arizona to visit us at our festa in April and trust that this visit is but the beginning of many annual exchanges of visits between Los Angeles and Phoenix.

"LOS ANGELES DELEGATION."

### TODAY'S PROGRAMME.

How the Last Day of the Fiesta Will Be Spent.

Today, Washington's birthday, the last day of the carnival, will without doubt be its greatest.

The programme as has so far been arranged is as follows:

Concert at the city hall plaza by the combined carnival bands.

During the day will be a grand pigeon shooting match at the park.

At 10 and 2 Dr. Carver will give his show at the park.

At 11 and 3 will be the cowboy sports at the park, at which no admission fee will be charged. They comprise:

Broncho riding—First prize, \$40; second prize, \$20; third prize, \$10; no entrance fee. Entries, Harry Lightner, Geo. Felton, Joe Bassett, Oscar Felton, Johnnie Moore, Jack McGay, J. W. Parkely, Y. Padio, Jesse Evans, J. E. Stillwell, Ben Townsend.

Flag picking—First prize, \$10; second prize, \$5; no entrance fee. Entries, Geo. Felton, Joe Bassett, H. Justice, Oscar Felton, Pedro Ortega, Y. Padio, G. R. Bennett, A. G. Young, Wm. Steele, J. F. Adams.

Wild West and cowboy tournament, steer-tying tournament—First prize, \$75; second prize, \$50; third prize, \$25; entrance fee, \$5. Entries, George Sears, Linn Orme, Oscar Felton, Geo. Felton, Geo. K. Babcock, H. Justice, Joe Bassett, Harvey Morris, Pedro Ortega, Y. Padio, Jeff Morris, G. P. Bennett, A. C. Young, Wm. Steele, E. W. Collins, J. E. Stillwell, J. E. Adams, L. Morris.

At 4:30 will be the dress parade at Camp Hatch, there being of course the usual guard mount at 9:30 in the morning.

At night there will be none other than the immortal John L. Sullivan at the opera house, appearing with the ex-champion, Paddy Ryan, in a sparring match after a presentation of the drama, "The Wicklow Postman."

The great event of the day, to speak in Hibernian phrase, will be at night. It will be the mardi-gras parade and celebration. For the greater part the plans of the management and the character of the costumes to be assumed are a secret, but enough is known to assure the public that the night's entertainment will be of a character that will furnish enjoyment to the crowd. No flour will be thrown, but otherwise the city will be for the time being under the scepter of King Mäsrule and a sedate man will be considered an enemy of the carnival state.

With the disappearance of the merry-makers' will end the carnival and the sober progress of business will be resumed.

### OUTSIDE ADVERTISING.

A Collateral Benefit Secured Through the Carnival Season.

The leading journals outside of Arizona have been more than kind in their notices of the Phoenix gala time. The Los Angeles Times, through local Correspondent Hermans and Artist Chapin has printed already a number of excellent and well illustrated articles and will follow them with a special edition devoted to the carnival and to Phoenix. The Los Angeles Herald has taken advantage of the occasion to enlist Artist Coker in a number of Wild West Arizona illustrations, while the Los Angeles Express has been more than kind in editorial mention. In San Francisco The Examiner is taking the keenest interest in the affair and presenting it in detail to its readers and the interest is shared by the other San Francisco dailies. Twenty or more newspaper correspondents are in the city and the celebrity given to the city by the success of the carnival will far more than serve to compensate for the cost.

### KILLED BY A GAMBLER.

REDDING, Cal., Feb. 21.—Tommy Ward, a railroad employe, was shot and killed by a gambler named Ryan in the Tiger saloon tonight. Both were intoxicated and quarreled over payment for drinks.

### INCREASED SALARIES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—In the house today the action of the committee on Indian affairs increasing the salaries of Indian inspectors from \$2,500 to \$3,000 was sustained.

### FITZ IS NOW THE CHAMPION.

Maher Knocked Out in the First Round.

The Battle Fought in Mexico.

No Interference From Federal Officials.

Both Men Entered the Ring in All Confidence—A Single Jaw Tap Settled Maher.

LANGTRY, Tex., Feb. 21.—Peter Maher was knocked out by Bob Fitzsimmons today in the first round, after one minute and thirty-five seconds of actual fighting.

Fitzsimmons played the same old game he has so often played before. He led on his opponent until he had him where he wanted him and then landed a lightning right-hand swing on the jaw and it was over.

It was the identical blow that knocked out Jim Hall in New Orleans.

For the first part of the round Maher had the better of it. He led often and forced the fighting. In his eagerness to get at Fitzsimmons he committed a palpable foul during a clinch and was warned by Referee Silver that its repetition would cost him the fight.

Maher fought well, but he was no match for his red-headed opponent, who proved himself one of the craftiest men who ever stepped into a ring.

Fitzsimmons is now by Corbett's action in presenting the championship to Maher, champion of the world and after the fight was over he declared through Julian his willingness to defend the championship against any and all comers.

Fitzsimmons took the aggressive from the call of time and forced Maher towards his (Maher's) corner. There Maher made a stand. He led; it fell short and clinched. Maher led twice after he had been broken away by the referee, landing lightly on the chest.

Fitzsimmons smiled as he evaded the blow. Two clinches followed; then Fitzsimmons led with his left, landing lightly. He quickly followed with a short arm swing with the right, landing squarely on Maher's left jaw point.

The Irishman fell on his back; his head hit the floor with a thud and the fight was over.

There were four clinches and no more than half a dozen exchanges.

Maher was unconscious fifteen seconds and it was fully one minute after he had been carried to his corner before he regained consciousness.

The fight was on Mexican soil, just across the line from this point, a distance of three-quarters of a mile and over the Rio Grande. It was in the state of Chihuahua, about 200 miles from El Paso, via the Southern Pacific railway.

Both men were ready for the ring when the train stopped at this point and they were hurried across the line and into the ring.

Twenty-five Texas rangers guarded the north bank of the river, under command of Adjutant-General Mabry. A chilly, drizzling rain was falling and darkness was coming on before a blow was struck, about 4:35.

There was not an indication of opposition to the fight, as the state officials had thought it billed for Chihuahua, and had made no preparations to receive the pugilists.

### CORBETT'S DEFLANCE.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Corbett said today he would challenge Fitzsimmons for \$10,000 or any sum he may name.